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COUNTRY	East Germany/USSR	REPORT		
SUBJECT	1. Military Rail Shipments Destined for Magdeburg and the Berlin Area	DATE DISTR.	4 JUN 1959	
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	Unit, and Deserters in the Fuersten- walde Area	REFERENCES	RD	
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Military rail shipments with tanks, heavy guns, tractors, and personnel destined for Magdeburg and the Berlin area.

Special and regular trains with military weapons, equipment and personnel which passed through Gross Kreutz Mark and proceeded westward.

Delivery of 25 howitzers to Soviet units on Langewahl Strasse ______in Fuerstenwalde/Sued. Arrival of caterpillar tractors, AA guns and trucks at the Fuerstenwalde/Sued railroad station.

An extensive search for two Soviet deserters from the casern on Braunsdorf Strasse. Arrival of a new unit at the casern on Gartenstrasse, Fuerstenwalde, from Beeskow with AT guns, trucks, field kitchens, mobile repair shops, radio transmitters, jeeps and personnel carriers. Soviet officers and German People's Police participating in shooting practices at the Soviet pistol range on Berkenbruecker Chausee.

Capture of one of the Soviet deserters, mentioned in Paragraph 4 above, in Friedersdorf. Arrival of AT guns, armored tractors, mobile repair shops and heavy guns for the supply unit on Langewahl Strasse in Fuerstenvalde. A description of the guns is given.

Negative information on activities in Weissenfels.

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the following concerning military transports: at Lehnin	50X1-HUM
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Four flatcars (with four T-44 medium tanks) and one passenger car were attached to a scheduled Magdeburg-Berlin freight train. Destination Berlin via Gross-Krettz.	50X1-HUM
Two flatcars with two very low tanks with round turrets were observed attached to a scheduled freight train heading toward Magdeburg.	50X1-HUM
A special Soviet tran consisting of 40 tracars and flatcars was observed heading toward Magdeburg. Twelve cannons (caliber and type unknown), 12 tractors, 10 flatcars of trucks, kitchen car, and five passenger cars were being hauled.	_a 50X1-HUM
A special train of the National Peoples Army unloaded men and	50X1-HUM
vehicles at the Gross-Krejitz railroad station. The number and type of personnel and vehicles is not known The unit went to	50X1-HUM

There are daily departures of freigh trains or special trains going to the USSR for Tekhnopromimport.

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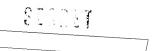
Two or three special trains with troops and arms pass the Gross-Kretz	50X1-HUM
railroad station daily all heading westward never observed	50X1-HUM
a transport traveling east. The Soviet transports have a average of	
100 axles. it is difficult to identify the weapons and	50X1-HUM
armaments as the trains pass without stopping and because trapaulins cover the objects on the flatcars.	
two Soviet transports passed	50X1-HUM
trains consisted of 40-50 cars and flatcars plus two kitchens.	50X1-HUM
two Soviet transports passed the Gross-Kremtz railroad station heading toward the West. The two trains consisted of 40-50 cars and flatcars plus two kitchens. On the flatcars there were altogether 15 AAA pieces (57 mm, M1950?), about 15 tractors, 10 trucks, 40-50 cars loaded with men.	50X1-HUN

railroad station travelling west. The train consisted of about 30 flatcars with trucks and truppentransporter (tracked prime mover M1954?) and about 10 cars loaded with men. "M-OKP" was written on all cars with chalk.

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were del:	Howitzer M1938) arri	walde-Sued railroad st lved and were unloaded. Its which are stationed Str	These cannons	50X1-HUI
	16 caterpillar	r-tractors, six 85-mm A	A guns M1939 as well	_
as two t	nicks	arrive	d and were unloaded	50X1-HU
at the Fr	uerstenwalde-Sued ra	ilroad station. Evide	ntly the materiel	30X1-110
was dest:	ined for the above m	entioned unit	on Langewahler-St	r.
No troop	s arrived with the s	shipments.		50X1-HUM

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two Soviet soldiers, a sergeant and a PFC, re	portedly
degented from the asserne on British offer Str	tenstuc
search was started; even the German police participated in the sea	Tch of 50X1-HUM
the quarters of the known prostitutes in Fuerstenwalde. were search	
Two prostitutes were arrested by the People's police during the sear	
Whether or not these arrests are directly connected with the deser	tion of
the Soviet soldiers cannot be determined.	
the two soldiers had not been foun	d; the
search was continuing. Later the search was dis	continued
Whether or not the men were found i	s not
known	50X1-HUM
A new unit of the Soviet Army arrived at the caserne on Garten S	Str. in
	arrived
with its own transportation from Beeskow. There were 24 AT (100mm	50X1-HUM
with its own transportation from beeskow. There were 24 AT (100mm	AT COXT HOW
gun 1955?) guns with tractors, 12 trucks with men, two field kitch	
two mobile repair shops, two radio transmitters, numerous jeeps an	ıd.
personnel cars.	
saw 15 Soviet officers and	50X1-HUN
six German People's Police officers at the Soviet pistol range on	33,11.1.3.1
Berkenbruecker Chaussee practicing shooting together.	7
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occupied.

one of the two Soviet	50X1-HUN
deserters, the PFC, was captured by the People's Police in	
Friedersdorf and was turned over to the Soviets Regard	ing
the fate of the other deserter nothing is known. Apparently he	50X1-HUM
succeeded in making his escape. The deserters wore civilian clothes	
in making their escape.	50X1-HUN
saw a transport. A train with 10 heavy AT guns	50X1-HUN
(type not known) and 10 armored tractors arrived for the Soviet supply unit (Versorgungseinheit) which is stationed in the former	
cable plant on Langewahler Strin Furstenwalde.	50X1-HUN
the same unit received by train seven repair shop trucks	50X1-HUM
as well as two heavy cannons. Every one of these cannons were loaded on two flatcars, the barrel and breech separated. The barrel	30X1-110W
was about 10-meters long, caliber about 22-25 cm. The barrel was on a special carrier (twin axles). With this chassis the barrel may	
be moved with the aid of a tractor (type could not be identified).	
The casernes on Garten Str and on Braunsdorfer Str. are fully	

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Nothing of any consequence has happened in Weissenfels	
Any possibly transfer of troops was not noted	
New troops have apparently not arrived. noth	ing
about a shooting incident involving Soviets	
thinks it unlikely that knowledge of such an	
incident could have been suppressed in Weissenfels.	

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